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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENTS AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Kenji MATSUDA**Art Unit: 3656

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## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 May 15, 2009

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated December 17, 2008, and having a response due date initially set for March 17, 2009. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

A concurrently filed two-month Petition for Extension of Time extends the period of response to end on Sunday, May 17, 2009.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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